



## Provider Communication

<b>Subject:</b> Human Papilloma Virus Vaccine (HPV)	<b>Priority:</b> <b>High</b>
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*Dear Health Check and Physician Providers,*

**Effective 6-1-07**, the Health Check (COS 600) program will begin covering Human Papilloma Virus (HPV) vaccine (CPT code 90649) in conjunction with the Vaccine for Children's Program (VFC) for eligible Medicaid members age 9 through 18 years. Report/bill HPV using CPT code 90649 in conjunction with the appropriate ICD-9 (V04.89 or V05.8). And with the appropriate NDC number.

The Physician Services program (COS 430) will continue covering the HPV vaccine for eligible Medicaid members, age 19 years to 21.

For information regarding this policy change, please contact Lorrie Stewart (Health Check) at 404-657-7882 or [lstewart@dch.ga.gov](mailto:lstewart@dch.ga.gov).

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Please take notice of the following message from **Vaccine for Children:**

### **IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT HUMAN PAPILLOMAVIRUS (HPV) VACCINE**

The VFC program is now providing Gardasil® (HPV) vaccine for VFC-eligible **girls ages 9 through 18**. (It is licensed for females aged 9 through 26 years.) The CPT code is 90649. The ICD-9 code is V05.8. The vaccine comes in 0.5 mL single dose vials and should be refrigerated at 2° to 6° C. (36° – 46° F.) After agitation, the contents will be cloudy and white. The injection should be given intramuscularly in the deltoid or anterolateral thigh.

#### **ACIP Recommendation:**

- Pre-adolescent girls ages 11-12 years
- Catch-up vaccination for females ages 13 through 26 years
- Girls as young as 9 years can be vaccinated
- May be administered at the same visit with other age-appropriate vaccinations
- **The vaccine is not a substitute for routine cervical cancer screening or protective sexual practices.**

### Special Situations:

- Interrupted schedules---do not start the series over. Give the next dose in the series and complete any remaining doses in the series at the recommended intervals.
- Immunocompromised persons---may be administered to such persons who are immunosuppressed due to disease or medication; however, the immune response to the vaccine might be less than that in immunocompetent persons.
- Pregnancy---not recommended for use in pregnancy. Should the vaccine series be started inadvertently during pregnancy, completion of the series should be delayed until the postpartum period. Should the vaccine be given during pregnancy, please contact the Vaccine in Pregnancy Registry at (800) 986-8999.
- Breastfeeding---lactating females can receive HPV vaccine.

DOSAGE	RECOMMENDED AGE FOR SERIES	RECOMMENDED INTERVAL FROM PREVIOUS DOSE	MINIMUM INTERVAL BETWEEN DOSES
Dose 1	11-12 years (minimum age is 9 years)	-----	
Dose 2		2 months from Dose 1	4 wks. from Dose 1
Dose 3		6 months from Dose 1	12 wks. from Dose 2

### Precautions and Contraindications:

- Illness---persons with moderate or severe acute illnesses should be deferred until after the illness improves. Vaccine may be administered to persons with minor illnesses such as diarrhea or mild upper respiratory infections, with or without fever.
- Immediate hypersensitivity or allergy to vaccine components---HPV vaccine is contraindicated for persons with a history of anaphylactic reactions to yeast or to any vaccine component.
- Because syncope commonly occurs in young persons after any vaccination, vaccine providers should consider observing patients for 15 minutes after administering HPV.

ACIP Statement for Quadrivalent Human Papillomavirus Vaccine

<http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/PDF/rr/rr5602.pdf>

Vaccine Information Statement, English (VIS) <http://www.immunize.org/vis/hpv.pdf>

Vaccine Information Statement, Spanish [http://www.immunize.org/vis/sp\\_hpv.pdf](http://www.immunize.org/vis/sp_hpv.pdf)